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KC WOMAN INDICTED FOR ASSAULTING TWO FEDERAL OFFICERS

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., woman was indicted by a federal grand jury today for assaulting two federal officers.

Cassandra R. Watts, 49, of Kansas City, was charged in a two-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that on April 9, 2004, **Watts** used her automobile to assault and interfere with two federal agents who were engaged in the performance of their official duties.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that, on the same day, **Watts** harbored and concealed a fugitive for whose arrest a federal warrant had been issued.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney D. Michael Green. It was investigated by the U.S. Marshals Service.

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